

Town of Warren  
Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements  
Adjourned Town Meeting  
Fact Sheet

- At the Adjourned Town Meeting on June 1, 2015 at the Warren Town Hall, there will be a referendum on funding for improvements to the Town of Warren's wastewater treatment facility.
- The facility, which discharges into the Warren River, was built in 1940 and last had major renovations in 1981.
- The mechanical and electrical equipment has passed its expected useful life and is not able to meet environmental standards established by a state regulation in 2010.
- The Town negotiated and entered into a Consent Agreement with the state to get back into compliance with the Rhode Island Pollutant Discharge Elimination System program. Part of this agreement requires that upgrades be completed at the wastewater treatment facility.
- If the funding is not approved at the Town Meeting on June 1, the Town will fail to comply with the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management's requirements, likely resulting in fines.
- If the funding is approved, the treatment facility become more efficient and effective, and the water quality in the Palmer River, Warren River, and downstream waters will be improved.